



Amend Claims 1-10 as follows and add Claims 11 and 12:

1. (Currently amended) An in-pipe running water activation method comprising the steps of

(a) arranging characterized in that the N poles of permanent magnets are arranged in mutually opposing positions in a water supply pipe, a water circulation pipe, and/or a faucet, or an extension fitting, thereby inducing and a repulsive magnetic field is induced in the pipe, and

(b) emitting in such a manner such that infrared radiation emitted from germanium-including biotite brought in close proximity to a surface of the permanent magnets is allowed to act on the water.

2. (Currently amended) A method of in-pipe water activation in accordance with claim 1, wherein characterized in that the germanium-including biotite is used as a powder coated on the surface of the permanent magnets or coated onto a ferromagnetic sheet and attached to the permanent magnets, or in powder or granular form is brought into movable contact with the permanent magnets, or a magnet-bonded molding by mixing with a ferromagnetic powder and bonding to the magnet.

3. (Currently amended) An in-pipe running water activator characterized in that wherein a permanent magnet (1) with having a north pole of the magnet bonded with germanium-including biotite bonded thereon is positioned in on an inner surface (4) of a

roughly U-shaped compartment of a retaining detail having one or more and an auxiliary retaining detail details (3) protruding outwardly from the roughly U-shaped compartment in a manner suitable for clamping onto a pipe is used to hold an upper surface of the magnet in position, the north pole of the permanent magnet facing a direction in which the one or more auxiliary details protrude to clamp onto the pipe.

4. (Currently amended) An in-pipe running water activator ~~in accordance with according to~~ Claim 3 characterized in that wherein the permanent magnet is composed of magnetic strips obtained by baking having bonded thereon a paint film comprising the germanium-including biotite and a resin-type paint on the magnet and thereupon bonding the paint film coat under magnetic force.

5. (Currently Amended) An in-pipe running water activator ~~characterized in that wherein~~ germanium-including biotite granules and a permanent magnet having a north pole coated with germanium-including biotite granules is positioned in are contacted and filled in or with a box-shaped retaining detail (11) having one or more auxiliary details protruding outwardly from the box-shaped retaining detail in a manner suitable for clamping onto a pipe, the north pole of the permanent magnet facing a direction in which the one or more auxiliary details protrude to clamp onto the pipe.

6. (Currently amended) An in-pipe running water activator according to claim 3, ~~comprising wherein~~ a bonded magnet molding obtained in a manner such that comprising the germanium-including biotite powder and ferromagnetic powder are brought together and processed to bond is bonded to the permanent magnet.

7. (Currently amended) An in-pipe running water activator according to claim 3, characterized in that wherein the permanent magnet (1) has the germanium-including biotite attached to mutually opposing N poles on the inner side and is pressure-fitted on to onto a retaining detail (3).

8. (Currently amended) An in-pipe running water activator ~~in accordance with according to~~ claim 7 characterized in that it is a wherein the permanent magnet is composed of a magnetic board obtained in such a manner such that the permanent magnet is treated by baking the bonded to a paint film comprising the germanium-including biotite powder and a resin paint thereon and causing it to be attached by magnetic force after the paint film has been applied.

9. (Currently Amended) An in-pipe running water activator according to claim 5 characterized in that comprising at least two retaining details containing the permanent magnets coated with the germanium-including biotite powder ~~and the permanent magnet whose N poles are arranged on the water transporting pipe in a mutually an~~ opposing position of the north poles by having the one or more auxiliary details of the retaining detail clamped with the one or more auxiliary details of an adjacent retaining detail on the water transporting pipe are contacted and filled with the retaining detail (11).

10. (Currently amended) A method of maintaining body temperature by way of promoting blood flow in a mammal achieved by comprising the steps of implanting on or in the mammal at least two magnets attached so that N poles are inwardly facing, said magnets in the body an indwelling in-pipe running water activator composed of having bonded thereon a bonded magnet molding obtained in such a manner such that

comprising a germanium-including biotite powder and a ferromagnetic powder are brought together and processed to bond to the magnet.

11. (New) A method of in-pipe water activation in accordance with Claim 1, comprising the additional step of bringing the germanium-including biotite, in powder or granular form, into movable contact with the permanent magnet.

12. (New) A method of in-pipe water activation in accordance with Claim 1, comprising the additional step of mixing the germanium-including biotite with a ferromagnetic powder to form a mixture, and bonding the mixture to the magnets by molding.